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"In order to understand the value in a shortcut, one must have taken the long road first."

-Anonymous

HW: "Exponential Modeling Day 2" homework section

AIM: Exponential Modeling Cont.

Warm Up:

Percents combine in strange ways that don't seem to make sense at first. It would seem that if a population grows by 5% per year for 10 years, then it should grow in total by 50% over a decade. But this isn't true. Start with a population of 100. If it grows at 5% per year for 10 years, what is its population after 10 years? What percent growth does this represent?

$$A = P(1+r)^t$$

$$A = 100(1+.05)^{10}$$

$$A = 162.889$$

$$(1.05)^{10}$$

$$1.62889$$

$$\underline{.62889}$$

$$62.889\%$$

Total % Growth

APPLICATIONS

1. If \$130 is invested in a savings account that earns 4% interest per year, which of the following is closest to the amount in the account at the end of 10 years?

- (1) \$218 (3) \$168
(2) \$192 (4) \$324

$$130(1.04)^{10} = 192.431... \approx \$192$$

(2)

2. A population of 50 fruit flies is increasing at a rate of 6% per day. Which of the following is closest to the number of days it will take for the fruit fly population to double?

- (1) 18 (3) 12
(2) 6 (4) 28

$$50(1.06)^t = 100$$

Use tables on your calculator.

$$50(1.06)^{12} \approx 100$$

(3)

3. If a radioactive substance is quickly decaying at a rate of 13% per hour approximately how much of a 200 pound sample remains after one day? 24 hrs

- (1) 7.1 pounds (3) 25.6 pounds
(2) 2.3 pounds (4) 15.6 pounds

$$200(1 - .13)^{24} = 200(.87)^{24}$$

$$= 7.071... \approx 7.1$$

(1)

4. A population of llamas stranded on a desert island is decreasing due to a food shortage by 6% per year. If the population of llamas started out at 350, how many are left on the island 10 years later?

- (1) 257 (3) 102
(2) 58 (4) 189

$$350(1 - .06)^{10} = 350(.94)^{10}$$

$$= 188.515... \approx 189$$

(4)

5. Which of the following equations would model a population with an initial size of 625 that is growing at an annual rate of 8.5%?

- (1) $P = 625(8.5)^t$ (3) $P = 1.085^t + 625$
(2) $P = 625(1.085)^t$ (4) $P = 8.5t^2 + 625$

$$P = 625(1 + .085)^t$$

$$P = 625(1.085)^t$$

(2)

6. The acceleration of an object falling through the air will decrease at a rate of 15% per second due to air resistance. If the initial acceleration due to gravity is 9.8 meters per second per second, which of the following equations best models the acceleration t seconds after the object begins falling?

- (1) $a = 15 - 9.8t^2$ (3) $a = 9.8(1.15)^t$
(2) $a = \frac{9.8}{15t}$ (4) $a = 9.8(0.85)^t$

$$a = 9.8(1 - .15)^t$$

$$a = 9.8(0.85)^t$$

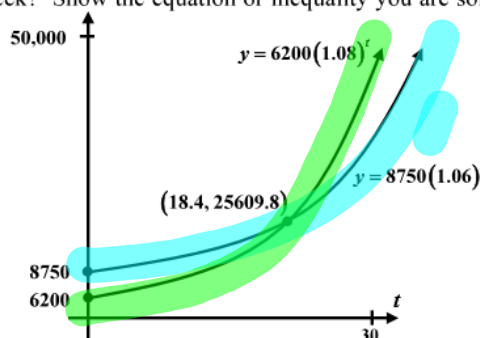
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7. Red Hook has a population of 6,200 people and is growing at a rate of 8% per year. Rhinebeck has a population of 8,750 and is growing at a rate of 6% per year. In how many years, to the nearest year, will Red Hook have a greater population than Rhinebeck? Show the equation or inequality you are solving and solve it graphically.

$$6200(1.08)^t > 8750(1.06)^t$$

Solved graphically \Rightarrow
 $t = 18$ years



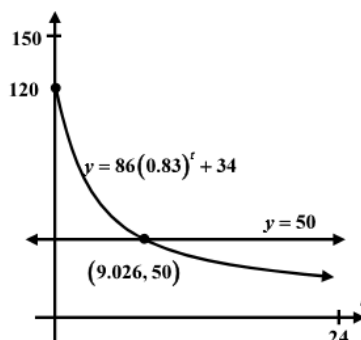
8. A warm glass of water, initially at 120 degrees Fahrenheit, is placed in a refrigerator at 34 degrees Fahrenheit and its temperature is seen to decrease according to the exponential function

$$T(h) = 86(0.83)^h + 34$$

- (a) Verify that the temperature starts at 120 degrees Fahrenheit by evaluating $T(0)$.

$$\begin{aligned} T(0) &= 86(.83)^0 + 34 \\ &= 86(1) + 34 = 120 \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Using your calculator, sketch a graph of T below for all values of h on the interval $0 \leq h \leq 24$. Be sure to label your y-axis and y-intercept.



- (c) After how many hours will the temperature be at 50 degrees Fahrenheit? State your answer to the nearest hundredth of an hour. Illustrate your answer on the graph you drew in (b).

$$t = \log_{.83} \frac{16}{86}$$

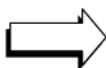
$$86(0.83)^t + 34 = 50$$

$$\begin{aligned} 86(.83)^t &= 16 \\ .83^t &= \frac{16}{86} \end{aligned}$$

REASONING

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$$100(1.05)^{10} = 162.8894 \approx 163$$



The population actually grew by around 63% instead of the 50% that we would naturally think.



increase

named rate

Exercise #1: A person invests \$500 in an account that earns a nominal yearly interest rate of 4%.

- (a) How much would this investment be worth in 10 years if the compounding frequency was once per year? Show the calculation you use.

$$A = P(1+r)^t$$

$$A = 500(1+.04)^{10}$$

$$= \$740.12$$

of times per year

- (b) If, on the other hand, the interest was applied four times per year (known as quarterly compounding), why would it not make sense to multiply by 1.04 each quarter?

No b/c 4% is the yearly rate

- (c) If you were told that an investment earned 4% per year, how much would you assume was earned per quarter? Why?

$$\frac{4\%}{4} = 1\%$$

- (d) Using your answer from part (c), calculate how much the investment would be worth after 10 years of quarterly compounding? Show your calculation.

4 times each year

$$A = P(1+r)^t$$

$$= 500(1+.01)^{40}$$

$$= \$744.43$$

So, the pattern is fairly straightforward. For a **shorter compounding period**, we get to **apply the interest more often**, but at a **lower rate**.

Exercise #2: How much would \$1000 invested at a nominal 2% yearly rate, compounded monthly, be worth in 20 years? Show the calculations that lead to your answer.

12 times

(1) \$1485.95

(3) \$1033.87

(2) \$1491.33

(4) \$1045.32

$$A = P(1+r)^t$$

$$\frac{.02}{12}$$

$$A = 1000(1 + \frac{.02}{12})^{20 \cdot 12}$$

$$= \$1491.33$$

This pattern is formalized in a classic formula from economics that we will look at in the next exercise.

Exercise #3: For an investment with the following parameters, write a formula for the amount the investment is worth, A , after t -years.

P = amount initially invested

r = nominal yearly rate

n = number of compounds per year

$$A(t) = P \left(1 + \frac{r}{n} \right)^{nt}$$

Exercise #4: An investment with a nominal rate of 5% is compounded at different frequencies. Give the effective yearly rate, accurate to two decimal places, for each of the following compounding frequencies. Show your calculation.

(a) Quarterly

$$\left(1 + \frac{.05}{4} \right)^{4 \cdot 1}$$

$$1.0509$$

$$5.09\%$$

(b) Monthly

$$\left(1 + \frac{.05}{12} \right)^{12 \cdot 1}$$

$$1.05116$$

$$5.12\%$$

(c) Daily

$$\left(1 + \frac{.05}{365} \right)^{365 \cdot 1}$$

$$1.05126$$

$$5.13\%$$

actual
rate

We could compound at smaller and smaller frequency intervals, eventually compounding all moments of time. In our formula from *Exercise #3*, we would be letting n approach infinity. Interestingly enough, this gives rise to **continuous compounding** and the use of the natural base e in the famous **continuous compound interest formula**.

CONTINUOUS COMPOUND INTEREST

For an initial principal, P , compounded continuously at a nominal yearly rate of r , the investment would be worth an amount A given by:

$$A(t) = Pe^{rt}$$

Exercise #5: A person invests \$350 in a bank account that promises a nominal rate of 2% continuously compounded.

- (a) Write an equation for the amount this investment would be worth after t -years.

$$A = 350e^{.02t}$$

- (b) How much would the investment be worth after 20 years? $= t$

$$A = 350e^{.02(20)}$$

$$A = \$522.14$$

- (c) Algebraically determine the time it will take for the investment to reach \$400. Round to the nearest tenth of a year. A

$$\frac{400}{350} = \frac{350e^{.02t}}{350}$$

$$\frac{400}{350} = e^{.02t}$$

rewrite using logs

$$\frac{.02t}{.02} = \frac{\ln \frac{400}{350}}{.02}$$

$$t \approx 6.7 \text{ years}$$

- (d) What is the effective annual rate for this investment? Round to the nearest hundredth of a percent.

$$A = Pe^{rt}$$

$$e^{.02(1)} = 1.0202$$

$$2.02\%$$